

Application No. 09/617,168  
Amendment dated January 29, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of September 29, 2003

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**CLAIMS AS FILED – PART I**

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(e))		
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	31	minus 20 = • 11
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	6	minus 3 = • 3
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		(37 CFR 1.16(d))

SMALL ENTITY	OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
RATE		RATE
	\$ _____	
OR		<b>\$690.00</b>
X \$ _____ =		<b>198.00</b>
OR	x \$ <u>18</u> =	<b>234.00</b>
X \$ _____ =		
OR	x \$ <u>78</u> =	
+ \$ _____ =		
OR	+ \$ _____ =	
TOTAL		<b>\$1,122.00</b>

\* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2.

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED – PART II**

		(Column 1)	(Column 2)		(Column 3)
AMENDMENT A		CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
	Total (37 CFR 1.10(c))	32	Minus	31	1
	Independent (37 CFR 1.10(d))	1	Minus	6	0
	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.10(d))				

SMALL ENTITY		OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$ <u>      </u> =		OR	X \$ <u>      </u> =	<b>18.00</b>
X \$ <u>      </u> =		OR	X \$ <u>      </u> =	<b>0.00</b>
+ \$ <u>      </u> =		OR	+ \$ <u>      </u> =	
<b>TOTAL ADD'L FEE</b>		OR	<b>TOTAL ADD'L FEE</b>	<b>\$18.00</b>

		(Column 1)		(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT B		CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
	Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	*	Minus	--	=
	Independent (37 CFR 1.16(p))	*	Minus	***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))					

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$ <u>      </u> =		X \$ <u>      </u> =	
X \$ <u>      </u> =		X \$ <u>      </u> =	
+ \$ <u>      </u> =		+ \$ <u>      </u> =	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE		TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	*	Minus	=
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	*	Minus	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))			

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$ <u>      </u> =		X \$ <u>      </u> =	
X \$ <u>      </u> =		X \$ <u>      </u> =	
+ \$ <u>      </u> =		+ \$ <u>      </u> =	
<b>TOTAL ADD'L FEE</b>		<b>TOTAL ADD'L FEE</b>	
OR		OR	
OR		OR	
OR		OR	

- If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 29, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are not incorporated into this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listings of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** are not incorporated into this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.